

STATE OF THE UNION.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS

OF

THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN,

RELATIVE TO

The state of the Union.

FEBRUARY 12, 1861.—Laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed.

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Whereas certain citizens of the United States are at this time in open rebellion against the government, and by overt acts threaten its peace and harmony, and to compass its final overthrow: Therefore—

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Resolved, That Michigan adheres to the government as ordained by the Constitution, and, for sustaining it intact, hereby pledges and tenders to the general government all its military power and material resources.

Resolved, That concession and compromise are not to be entertained or offered to traitors, while the rights and interests of Union-loving citizens should be regarded and respected in every place and under all circumstances.

Resolved, That his excellency the governor be requested to forward a copy of these resolutions to our senators and representatives in Congress, and to the governors of our sister States.

JAMES BIRNEY,

President of the Senate.

DEXTER MUSSEY,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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